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Subject: PDC case 7715  
Formal Written Warning

Dear Cannabis Alliance, Todd Arkley:

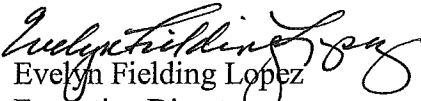
Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent to John Kingsbury concerning a complaint filed with the Public Disclosure Commission on August 8, 2016. The complaint alleged that the Cannabis Alliance may have violated RCW 42.17A.205 by failing to register as a political action committee.

As noted in the letter to Mr. Kingsbury, the PDC will not be conducting a more formal investigation into these allegations or taking enforcement action in this matter.

The Cannabis Alliance created and advertised an event that made it appear they were a political action committee. The flyer did not provide ample evidence of who was funding the event and how sponsorships were handled, a reasonable person would be misled by its content. Although this action does not constitute a violation of RCW 42.17A.205, under these circumstances, in accordance with WAC 390-73-060(1)(b), this is a Formal Written Warning to follow PDC laws and rules for registration, political advertising, and reporting in the future. If there are future violations of PDC laws or rule, the Commission will consider this Formal Written Warning in deciding on further Commission action.

If you have questions, you may respond to the email to which this letter is attached, or contact Jacob Berkey at 360-586-4555 or [Jacob.Berkey@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:Jacob.Berkey@pdc.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

  
Evelyn Fielding Lopez  
Executive Director

Enclosure: Letter to Complainant